



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hiatt et al

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

This communication is filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.104(e) and in response to the statement of reasons for allowance that accompanied the Notice of Allowance of December 5, 2006, in the above-referenced application.

It is noted that the stated reasons for allowance do not accurately summarize the subject matter recited in the allowed claims. It is also noted that, where accurate, the stated reasons for allowance are much too limiting.

The scope of each allowed claim should be construed in accordance with the plain meaning of the terminology used therein, as well as the full scope of available equivalents to the recited elements.

Respectfully submitted,

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